

**BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS  
TRADESMAN & EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
February 12, 2003**

The Tradesman and Education Committee of the Board for Contractors met on Wednesday, February 12, 2003 at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 3600 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. The members indicated below were present:

James A. Hollar, Chairman,  
Robert O. Burch, Jr.  
Robert M. Kirby,  
Anthony R. Orange,  
Michael D. Redifer.

The following members of DPOR staff were present during some or all of the meeting:

Louise Fontaine Ware, Director,  
Eric L. Olson, Assistant Director, Board for Contractors,  
Sheila Watkins, Administrative Assistant, Tradesman Program

Also present were Bev Donati, R.B. Vest, Gary Duff, Anthony D. Schultz, Ron Lushbaugh, Andy Thomas, Hebba Bray, Merry Beth Hall and Laurie C. Crigler.

Chairman Hollar called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**Call to Order**

Mr. Hollar asked for a motion to approve the draft Agenda. The motion was made by Mr. Redifer and seconded by Mr. Kirby. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Hollar asked for public comment. There was none.

**Public Comment  
Period**

Eric Olson provided a legislative update to the committee.

**Legislative Update  
By: Eric Olson**

Mr. Orange offered a motion for the committee to recommend to the Board to agree for VA to enter into reciprocity for electricians with the state of Georgia with VA excepting Georgia's requirements as they are more stringent than Virginia's. This motion was seconded by Mr. Redifer. The motion was unanimously carried. Members voting "yes" were: Mr. Orange, Mr. Hollar, Mr. Burch, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Kirby. Mr. Redifer offered a motion for VA and West VA to except each other's test instead of reciprocity. The tests are equivalent. Mr. Kirby seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Members voting "yes" were: Mr. Orange, Mr. Hollar, Mr. Burch, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Kirby. There was discussion of the requirements in different states such as: North Carolina, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

**Reciprocal  
Agreements**

Mr. Olson reminded the committee that February 24, 2003 opens the public comment period for NORIA. Tradesman on the job site will be available for the Board to review and consider. Mr. Olson provided the committee with the existing

**Regulatory Discussion  
and Update  
Tradesman on the**

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wording. Mr. Orange motioned to accept the language and stated that the committee endorses what is already written. Mr. Burch seconded the motion. There was discussion on the definition of "supervisor on the job site at all times". The vote passed with 3 "yes" and 2 "no". Those voting "yes" were Mr. Burch, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Orange. Those voting "no" were Mr. Kirby and Mr. Hollar. The motion was carried. Mr. Olson discussed the commercial building specialty with the committee. After reviewing their handout and discussing the issue, Mr. Kirby offered a motion to recommend to the Board that a code for commercial building specialty be implemented as "CBD". Mr. Burch seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Members voting "yes" were, Mr. Burch, Mr. Hollar, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Orange.

job site  
Commercial Building  
Specialty

Mr. Hollar declared a recess for lunch.

Meeting Recessed  
11:35 AM For  
Lunch

The meeting was reconvened at 11:50 AM and the members worked during lunch.

Meeting Reconvened at  
11:50 AM

The committee discussed the need for criteria to screen schools or individuals seeking the Board's endorsement of their training courses for remedial education. Mr. Redifer motioned to recommend to the Board to adopt uniform screening criteria for remedial education course approval. Mr. Burch seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Members voting "yes" were, Mr. Burch, Mr. Hollar, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Orange.

Continuing Education  
Discussion

The exam statistics for the months of October, November and December for all Trades were provided for Committee Members review.

The licensing statistics for the months of October, November and December for Tradesman and for Contractors were also provided for review.

Examination Statistics  
Licensing Data

No action was required by the Committee.

The committee members were reminded to complete their travel vouchers and Conflict of Interest forms and to give them to the staff prior to leaving.

Travel Vouchers/  
Conflict  
of Interest Forms

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM upon a motion by Mr. Kirby that was seconded by Mr. Burch. The vote was unanimous. Members voting "yes" were, Mr. Burch, Mr. Hollar, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Redifer and Mr. Orange.

Adjournment

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James A. Hollar 3-5-2003  
James A. Hollar, Chairman Date:

Motion to accept made by:

Date:

Robert O. Burch 3-5-2003